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ACTION MEMORANDUM

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

Action Memorandum No. A - 21

Date 19 June 1962

TO : Chief, CA/IO Staff

SUBJECT : Briefing of Panel of President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board

REFERENCE:

1. This will confirm our telephone discussion of today requesting that you brief the Gray-Langer-Murphy panel of the President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board on the Agency's covert action procedures tomorrow at 10 a.m. in the Board's offices in the Executive Office Building. Our instructions are to the effect that the panel should be provided with the details of our procedures in mounting covert actions from their inception to the conclusion. This would include all of the processes for staffing these actions with the Departments of State and Defense, USIA and others where necessary, and their clearance before the Special Group. It should not include a detailed country-by-country survey of what we are doing in the covert action field, although if you wish to give the panel over-all budget figures, this is agreeable. If you wish to use examples, you can indicate to the panel what these country programs in the covert action field would approximate.

2. For your guidance, the panel members will probably have read the covert action portion of the semiannual report to the Board covering the period ending 30 March. In the event that any questions arise or any requests for additional details, simply indicate these will be referred to the Director to take up at the Board's forthcoming meeting.

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